

North Dakota Forest Service America the Beautiful (ATB) Program Development Grant

ATB Program Development Grant is a competitive grant program available to North Dakota communities, administered by NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service in cooperation with the US Forest Service. Associated documents are available at https://www.ag.ndsu.edu/ndfs/opportunities/grants

Applicant MUST contact one of these NDFS personnel to coordinate project planning efforts and to obtain a grant application: Gerri Makav: Community Forestry Manager Carrington 701.652.2951 Gerri.Makay@ndsu.edu Community Forestry Specialist Bismarck 701.328.9948 Joel Nichols: Joel.Nichols@ndsu.edu 701-683-4323 ext. 12 Mary.Oneill@ndsu.edu Mary O'Neill: Community Forestry Specialist Lisbon **PROGRAM OVERVIEW PROGRAM PURPOSE** To stimulate the development of innovative and effective community forestry program development projects. **ELIGBLE APPLICANTS** Applicant must contact NDFS personnel to coordinate project planning efforts at which time they will receive the grant application. Public entities that own or control the land where the project will be located must submit the application. **FUNDS AVAILABLE** A public entity is eligible to receive a maximum grant award of \$10,000. Bids or price quotes will be required for successful applicants. Grant funds will be distributed on a reimbursement basis. MATCH REQUIREMENTS At least 50% of the total cost of the project must be contributed by the applicant from sources other than federal funds, in the form of cash and/or in-kind contributions. **APPLICATION DEADLINE** April 30, 2018. No faxed or emailed applications will be accepted. Applications postmarked after April 30 will not be accepted. Mail the ORIGINAL application and seven (7) copies to: NDSU-North Dakota Forest Service Attn: CF Grants 916 East Interstate Avenue, Suite #4 Bismarck, ND 58503-1227

PROJECT COMPLETION Projects must be completed and reimbursement forms submitted **before or on December 31, 2019.**

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